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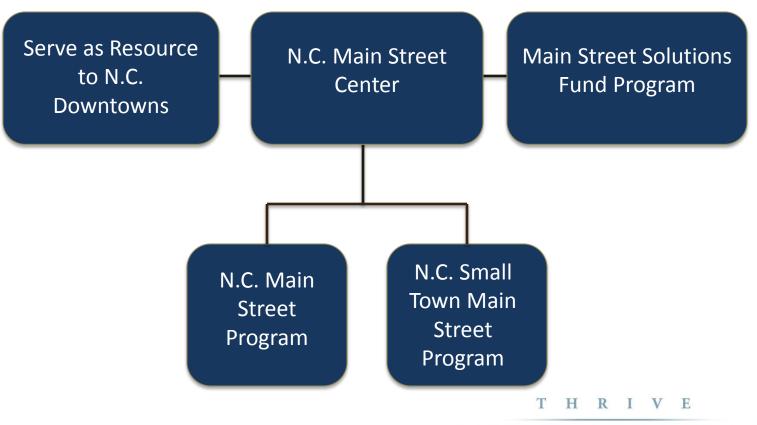
Overview

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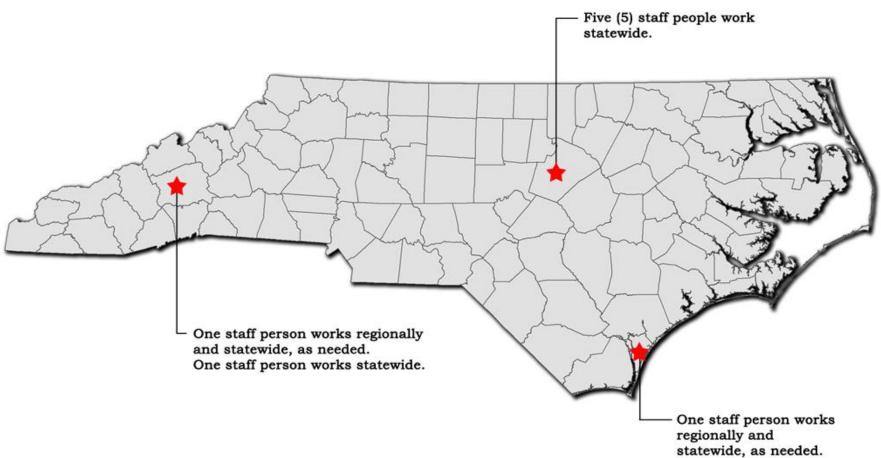
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Timeline of Program

1980 Every 2-3 years	N.C. Main Street Center/Program Began. 5 communities originally designated for participation. Up to 5 additional communities designated
1989	Main Street Financial Incentive Fund State Appropriation (1 M)
2002 ———	————— Office of Urban Development established for broader downtown economic development assistance
2002	Small Town Main Street Program Began in eastern N.C.
2003	— Urban Redevelopment Grant - Unspent CDBG Economic Development Funds (\$3.7 M)
2004	— Urban Redevelopment Grant - Unspent CDBG Economic Development Funds (\$1.7 M)
2007	Small Town Main Street Program Expanded to western N.C.
2009-10	Main Street Solutions Fund State Appropriation (\$2 M)
2010-11	Main Street Solutions Fund State Appropriation (\$1.5 M)
2011-12	Main Street Designer for Small Town Main Street (west) eliminated in budget



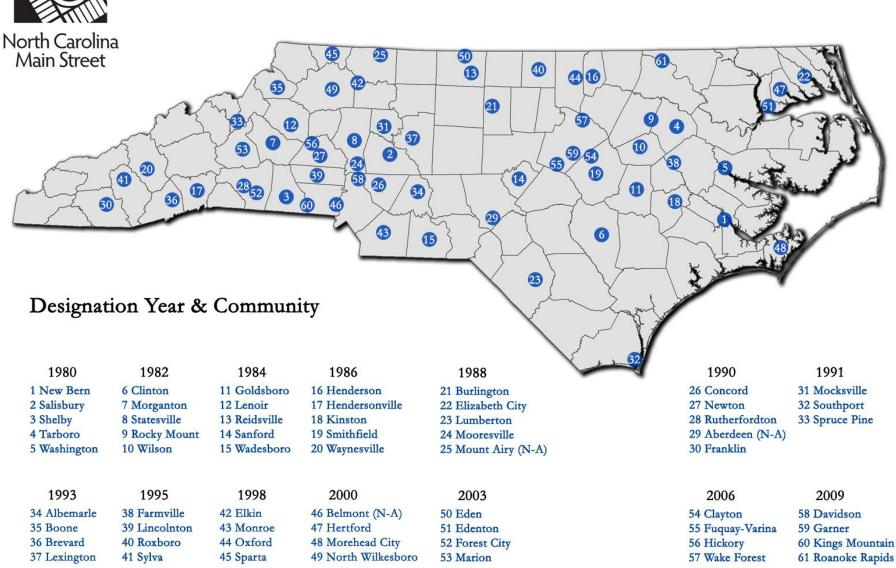
Main Street®

- Created by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, a national non-profit.
- Downtown Economic Development within the context of historic preservation.
- North Carolina was one of 6 states originally selected for participation in 1980.
- Today, 46 states and over 1100 communities with Main Street[®] programs.



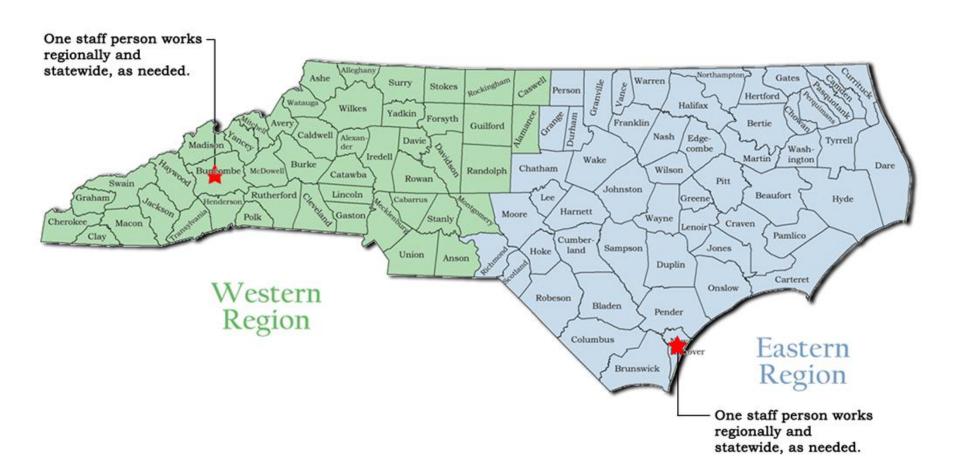
128 E. Innes Street, Salisbury

North Carolina Main Street Communities





North Carolina Small Town Main Street





Small Town Main Street Communities



2011 2012

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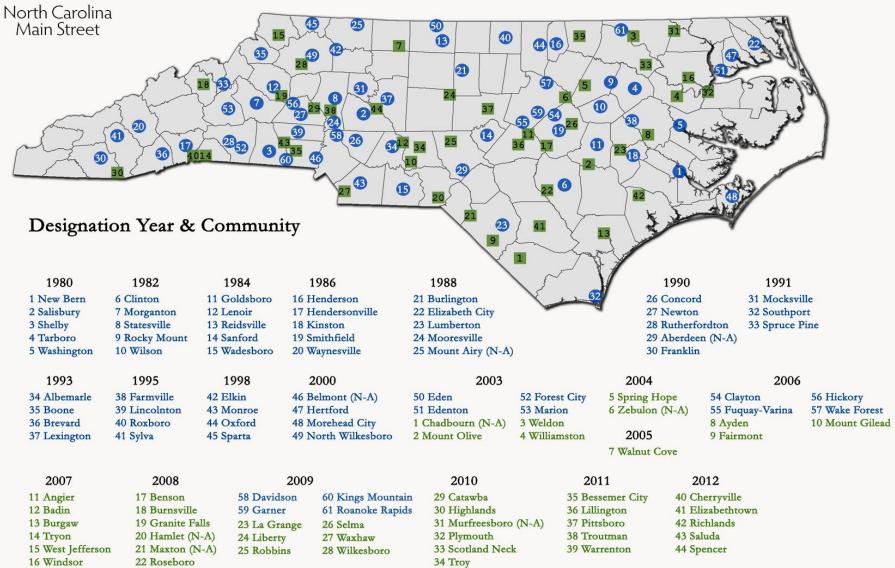
36 Lillington 41 Elizabethtown

37 Pittsboro 42 Richlands

38 Troutman 43 Saluda

39 Warrenton 44 Spencer

North Carolina Main Street and Small Town Main Street Communities



Service to N.C. Downtowns

155 Communities Directly Served in 2011-2012:

- Provide Downtown Revitalization Training, Education and Networking
- Facilitate the Downtown Revitalization Process
- Provide Downtown Resources and Funding Information
- Administer the Main Street Program for N.C. and Offer Main Street Four-Point Program[®] guidance
- Provide Main Street and Small Town Main Street Façade and Public Space Conceptual Design Assistance
- Administer the Main Street Solutions Fund Program

Training & Education

- N.C. Main Street Conference & Awards Ceremony
- Main Street Basic Training
- Main Street Managers' Meetings
- On-Site Community Specific Education



Main Street Conference



Main Street Awards (Burnsville)



Main Street Basic Training

Downtown Revitalization Process

- Downtown Strategic Planning
- Public-Private Partnership Development
- Downtown Studies and Business Development Plans
- Tools for Development
- Knowledge and Resources and Funding





Roseboro Business Recruitment Efforts, as result of studies.

Façade and Public Space Design Assistance

109 Broad Street, Statesville







Conceptual Design



After - Full Façade



After - Cornice Detail

- Main Street and Small Town Main Street Façade and Public Space Design Assistance, resulting in economic benefit.
- Knowledge of Historic Preservation, Architecture and Materials
- Knowledge of Resources and Funding

Impact of the Main Street Program on N.C. Downtowns

FY 2011-12

- \$96 Million in public/private investment
- 334 Buildings Renovated
- 242 Façade Improvements
- 259 Businesses Net Gain
- 1,029 Jobs Net Gain



Impact of the Small Town Main Street Program on N.C. Downtowns

FY 2011-12

- \$20 Million in public/private investment
- 66 Buildings Renovated
- 81 Façade Improvements
- 105 Businesses Net Gain
- 278 Jobs Net Gain



Main Street Solutions Fund Program

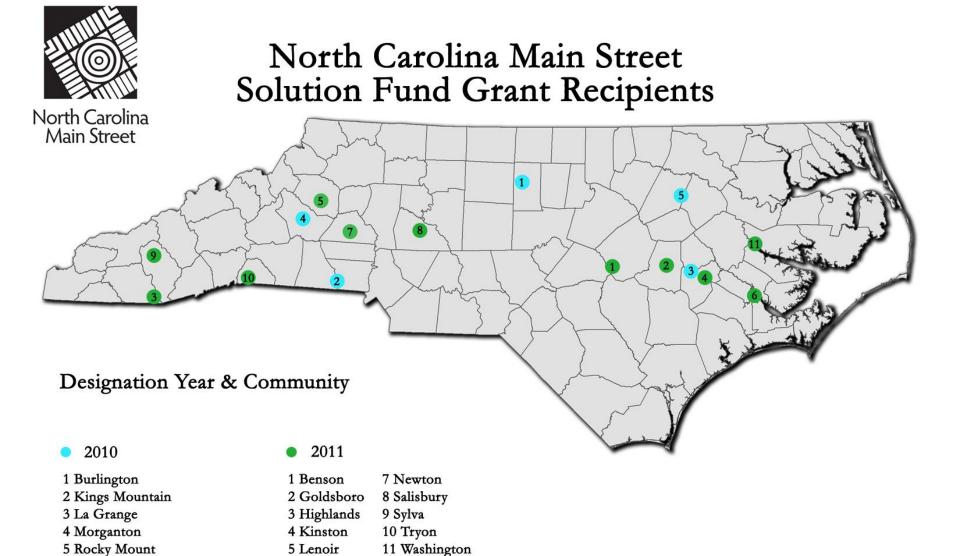
- State Appropriation
 N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143B-472.35
- 2009-2010 Appropriation \$2 Million
- 2010-2011 Appropriation \$1.5 Million
- Communities have 3 Years to complete projects

- A reimbursable, matching grant program (non state or federal 1:2 local match)
- Min. \$25,000; Max. \$200,000 Grants

Main Street Solutions Fund Program

The Goals of this Program are:

- To provide direct financial benefit to small businesses.
- To retain and create jobs in association with small business.
- To spur private investment in association with small business.



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Communities eligible to receive this grant must meet at least ONE of the following designations:

- a. Designated as a micropolitan in Tier 2 and 3 counties OR
- b. Designated as an ACTIVE North Carolina Main Street community in Tier 1, 2 or 3 counties OR
- c. Designated as an ACTIVE Small Town Main Street community in Tier 1, 2 or 3 counties.

Main Street Solutions Fund Program

Company Shops Market, 268 East Front Street, Burlington







Before

- 7,000 sq. ft,
 vacant 10 years
- \$3.2 Million
- \$298,000 MSSF
 Grant
- 13 FTE, 16 PTE
- Catalyst for 8 additional businesses



After

Impact of the Main Street Solutions Fund Program

- 16 Communities/15 Counties Benefit
- \$13.7 Million in Total Projects
- \$2.4 Million Grants Awarded to Date
- \$7.8 Million in Private Funds Spurred
- 54 Businesses Benefit
- 238 FTE's, 158 PTE's Retained or Created
- For every \$1 invested by the state, \$4.52 is invested by the local community.

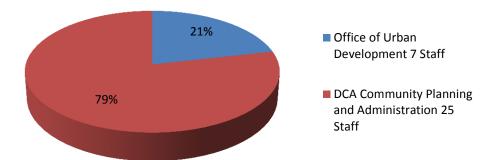
Partner Agencies

A Few Examples:

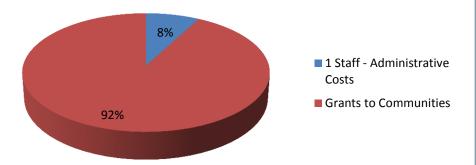
- State Government Departments and Divisions:
 - Commerce
 - Cultural Resources
 - Transportation
 - Health & Human Services
- Nonprofits:
 - National Main Street Center
 - North Carolina League of Municipalities
 - Council of Governments
 - Preservation North Carolina

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MAIN STREET SOLUTIONS FUND



Questions

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